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1. IT IS UNFORTUNATE THAT DATE SELECTED FOR VISIT TO NATO ON JUNE 27, 1975 BY GAO AUDIT TEAM (REF A) COINCIDES WITH UN-AVOIDABLE ABSENCE OF KEY NATO PERSONNEL. WE WERE UNSUCCESSFUL IN ATTEMPTING TO REARRANGE VISIT SCHEDULE, BUT GREATLY APPRECIATE AMEMBASSY PARIS COOPERATION IN ATTEMPTING TO SWITCH THE USNATO/ PARIS VISIT DAYS.

2. NATO SCHEDULE FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 27:

1030: CONSULTATIONS WITH DR. LEGERE, DEFENSE ADVISOR, USNATO AND STAFF.

1400: CONFERENCE WITH DIR OF MANAGEMENT AND LOGISTICS DIV, NATIO INTERNATIONAL MILITARY STAFF, MGEN HENON (BELGIAN ARMY). IN ABSENCE OF MG HENON THIS WEEK (VISITING IN UNCLASSIFIED

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THE US), THIS APPOINTMENT IS TENTATIVE, TO BE CONFIRMED NEXT WEEK.

1500: CONFERENCE WITH CHAIRMAN OF THE MILITARY AGENCY FOR

STANDARDIZATION, MG LEONARD (CANADIAN ARMY). MG LEONARD WILL CUT SHORT A VISIT TO THE HAGUE AND WILL ATTEMPT TO RETURN TO NATO BY 1500; EXACT TIME CONDITIONAL UPON HIS ARRIVAL.

1600: CONFERENCE WITH MEMBERS OF THE STAFF OF THE ASST SEC GEN FOR DEFENCE SUPPORT (DR. TUCKER WILL BE ABSENT, VISITING IN BONN). STAFF WILL INCLUDE COL ABS (BELGIAN ARMY, RETIRED) AND LTC WARNON (BELGIAN ARMY, RETIRED).

3. FOR AMCONSUL FRANKFURT: REQUEST PASS INFO TO GAO TEAM, MR. STRAIN AND MR. BARAS. ABSENCE OF DR. TUCKER IS PARTICULARLY UNFORTUNATE, BUT WE HOPE THAT THE GAO TEAM WILL FIND VISIT TO NATO PRODUCTIVE IN ANY CASE. STREATOR

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